IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY

APPELLATE SIDE

CONTEMPT PETITION NO.263 OF 2007

Laxman Lalusingh Punekar : Petitioner

V/s.

Narendra Narayan Battin,

Manager & Partner,

Battin Bidi Works : Respondent

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Mr.Sameer A. Kumbhakoni for the petitioner.

Mrs.Anjali Helekar for the respondent.

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CORAM : S.A.BOBDE, J.

DATE : OCTOBER 09, 2007.

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1. The petitioner's grievance is that the respondent has not compiled with the consent terms whereunder the petitioner was to be employed with the respondent on reporting for work on 16.2.2005. The learned counsel for the respondent has pointed out from contemporaneous record, that is the reply to the notice dated 10.1.2007 that the petitioner had approached the respondent for work, but had refused to carry out the work designated to him. Apparently, he had also had an argument with the employer and had also filed a police complaint which was

later on dropped. It appears that after the date of the incident, the petitioner has done nothing and has filed this Contempt Petition after over a year and a half. It is not possible to accept the contention of the learned counsel for the petitioner that the petitioner had not pursued the matter because there were oral assurances. There is no record of any such assurance or reference to any such assurance in any grievance made by the petitioner to any authority or a Court.

2. In this view of the matter, there is no merit in the Contempt Petition which is hereby dismissed.

S.A. BOBDE, J.